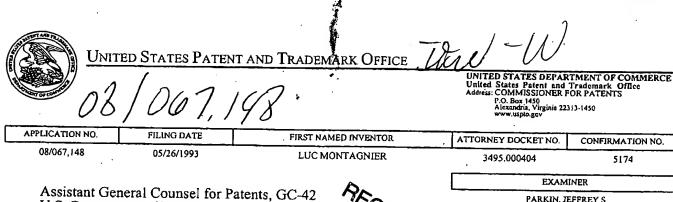
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LETTER RE: STATEMENT UNDER 42 U.S.C. 2182 (90 Day Letter to DOE)

A statement under statute 42 U.S.C. 2182 has been filed in the above-identified application. Copies of the statement and required application papers are forwarded herewith.

A dated acknowledgment of receipt in the U.S. Department of Energy of the copies of the statement and required application papers is requested to determine the starting of the 90-day period recited in the statute. A duplicate copy of this letter is provided for a return receipt.

the Commissioner for Patents, By direction of Donald T. Hajec

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Enclosures (3): Statement under 42 U.S.C. 2182 (copy)

Application papers (copy) Duplicate copy of this letter

Receipt in the U.S. Department of Energy is acknowledged of the above letter and its enclosures.

Date Signature SN: 08/067/48 Date Rec'd in DOE: 10 This application has been reviewed and from the information at hand you are hereby advise that the U.S. Department of a directive in this case. Brenda K. Banks, DOE 202-586-2802 Date///7/05-